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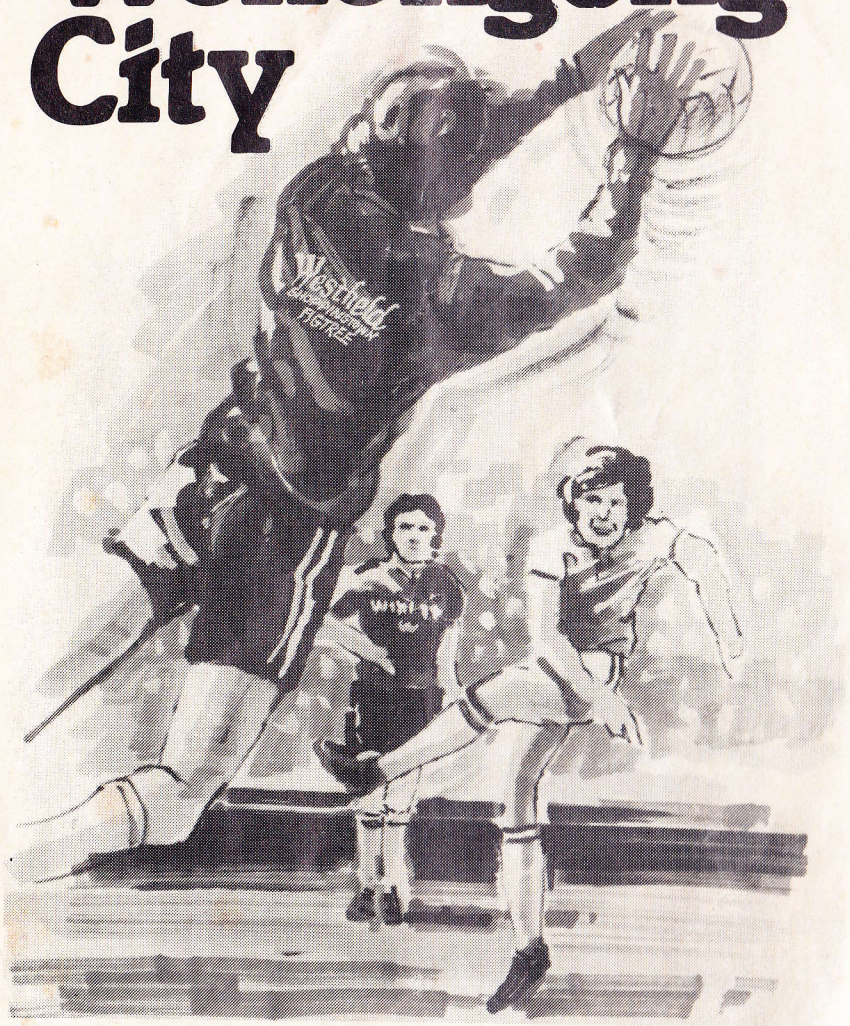

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Today heralds the entry of the City of Wollongong into Australia's major soccer tournament — the Philips Soccer League. As the competition includes the top teams from the four mainland eastern states, local followers of the game will now be given the opportunity to see the first class football in their own home town.

Soccer is played in more than 100 countries around the world and many of our Illawarra people here today come from a wide cross section of those countries. Soccer is part of their sporting heritage and from today Wollongong's cosmopolitan community will have its own soccer team.

The game of soccer speaks all languages and I am confident that the advent of Wollongong City Soccer Club provides a medium to further strengthen the bond of civic pride and common interest which is fast developing from our diverse backgrounds.

The Club is extremely grateful for the confidence placed in it by Sir Arthur George, President of the Australian Soccer Federation, who believes in a policy of decentralising the game to the benefit of all. We are also indebted to our major sponsors, Westfield Shoppingtown and Wollongong Leagues Club, to our foundation members, the media and to the many others who have helped us. We would not be competing today without their financial and moral support.

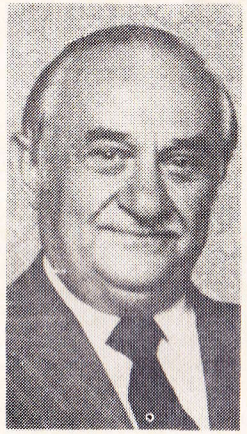
I hope that the people of Wollongong will become keen supporters of the team and avid followers of the game because soccer football has been one of our district's outstanding winter sports. We hope to go forward from the successes of the old South Coast United soccer team which did so much for soccer football in our area in the sixties.

This is a major step for Wollongong and it is a step which must succeed, for if we fail then we will have failed the youth of our community. This is a step for their future as it gives them an opportunity to represent their country via their own city's team.

I therefore appeal to you all to support Wollongong City Soccer Club and by so doing, open a new door to further sporting glory for Wollongong.

LAURIE KELLY, Chairman,
Wollongong City Soccer Club Limited.

SIR ARTHUR GEORGE MESSAGE . . . Today the city of Wollongong joins the Philips soccer league of Australia and I hope it will be a long and successful association.



Wollongong has a great history in soccer and produced many great players in the past and we hope many more will be produced through the ranks of Wollongong City Club.

The club officials have worked long and hard to make Wollongong City a reality and we can only hope the people of the region give them their full support.

No-one expects miracles from the club in the first season but the supporters will have to give their players plenty of encouragement.

A new club doesn't provide results overnight — but given the support that Wollongong undoubtedly can provide they will build a team capable of winning the league premiership within a few years.

This year looms as one of the most important ever to the Australian Soccer Federation as we will host the World Youth Cup in six major cities.

This is a sign that Australia is becoming a major nation in the soccer world.

In closing I would like to wish Wollongong City and all other clubs in the league all the best for what I hope is a successful season.

SIR ARTHUR GEORGE.

WOLLONGONG CITY SOCCER CLUB

WHO'S WHO:

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TEAM STAFF

Coach — Mr. Ken Morton; Mr. Dick Evans assisting with youth squad.

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With Wollongong City making their PSL debut today you have the opportunity of keeping it up to date with happenings within the club through this programme.

We prefer to look on the programme as the best way of communicating with the people who will keep the turnstiles clicking therefore ensuring the success of the club.

To make the programme a success we need your help.

If you think there is something we can do to improve the programme or the presentation of home games generally, don't hesitate to write.

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They come to Wollongong with a completely new look and a famous manager-coach in Tommy Docherty.

Docherty needs no introduction to anyone with any knowledge of soccer — he has done it all as a player and a manager.

He has been a soccer writer's dream, providing quotes that have made many a front page story.

There is only one time on record he was lost for words — when he was manager of Queen's Park Rangers and they lost a vital league match to Shrewsbury.

As the press gathered outside the Q.P.R. dressing room, Docherty made an appearance with a big piece of sticking plaster over his mouth.

He is without doubt one of the all-time great characters of the game and Wollongong City is proud to have him here today.

Docherty has made it clear he wants to build a strong side on youth and the club has made only four off-season signings.

They are Danny Moulis, a talented fullback from Canberra City and Peter Katholos from St. George.

His two English imports are youngsters Tommy Gavin (Bradford) and David Cork (Doncaster).

To put it in his words, "they aren't world-beaters — it costs a fortune to buy top players in the U.K. these days".

An interesting member of the Olympic squad is young goalkeeper Peter Wilson.

Peter is a former Illawarra junior and this season he is certain to give the experienced Gary Mier plenty of opposition for the number one spot.

Formerly Pan Hellenic, Sydney City have always drawn good crowds on their visits to the Coast.

As their secretary Nick Smilas says, "we have many supporters in this district and it is good to be coming back again."

The Olympic squad have had mixed success in trial games, but Docherty obviously has been experimenting with his players.

He didn't do too badly with a group of kids back in his days with Manchester United and Chelsea.

From Wollongong City's point of view let's hope he doesn't have Olympic firing to that extent . . . at least until the second round.

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MEET THE PLAYERS . . .

CHRIS DUNLEAVY

Wollongong City captain Chris Dunleavy is no stranger to joining a new club — he did it in America and the club won their championship in the first season.

One would be a super optimist to think Dunleavy can repeat that effort but he is confident City will hold their own in the PSL.

A newcomer to Australian soccer, the talented defender hails from Liverpool — the hotbed of English soccer.

He played for Liverpool Schoolboys before signing with first division club Everton in the 1965-66 season.

The "Blues" won the first division title that year but Dunleavy spent the season playing in the reserve team.

He later played four first division games with the club, his first being away against Stoke City and he describes that as one of the highlights of his career — particularly as Everton won 2-1.

He later transferred to nearby Southport in the fourth division and helped them with their league by a massive nine points — scoring 13 goals himself as a centre-half from set pieces.

It was then off to America where he joined the Philadelphia Atoms, a new club in the N.A.S.L. — and they won the league first-up.

After a successful spell back in England with Chester, Dunleavy returned to America and had spent two and a half seasons with Halifax before deciding to come to Australia.

He is very happy he made the move and so are the Wollongong soccer fans.

In a short time, he has proved himself a very good player, both on the ground and in the air and a perfect right-hand man for coach Ken Morton.

He sees Wollongong's future as being bright because there is a lot of enthusiasm among the people running the club and the supporters.

He is also surprised at the ability of some of the youth team players and feels the future of the club has to be in good hands when there are boys like this coming along.

Always keen to help the younger players, Dunleavy has the experience to be a big help to a young defender with potential.

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3. Jim Zitas
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Is soccer a bunny for the hooligans?

With soccer violence a burning issue in the U.K. just now a well-known English journalist asks is the situation to continue or will the clubs and administrators do something to bring sanity back to the terraces.

Chairman of the Football Writers' Association, Brian Scovell set people thinking recently when he compared a football match with a visit to the cinema.

He says he can imagine a series of violent incidents taking place in cinemas all over England, people are stabbed and generally given a bad time by louts.

"Police are called in but find these incidents are generally beyond their control and soon the average family man decides to stay home with his family and watch TV rather than risk injury," Scovell said.

"Interviewed after one particularly nasty outbreak at his cinema the manager says there is nothing the proprietors can do, it is just a fault within society and they are being blamed.

"I feel the government's reaction would be to tell the cinema people they are making money out of their businesses so they should try and make them safe for people to attend."

Scovell said the situation is no different to what is happening at soccer grounds all over England.

He says hooliganism fosters because it is tolerated by clubs and administrators who seem more pre-occupied with making money from advertising on club shirts and getting even more money from TV.

"At the start of the season the English Press men were issued with a document produced by managers, secretaries, coaches and trainers, showing ways they felt the game can be improved," Scovell said.

"It contained very little on the subject of hooliganism and I rate this the main problem soccer has to face going into the 80's.

"Why can't offenders who are arrested be made examples and be forced to work cleaning up soccer grounds for a few Saturday afternoons?"

Scovell says the average high-level administrator doesn't really grasp the problem because very few venture out on to the terraces.

"They drive to stadiums in cars, park them in special enclosures and watch games from special areas in the stand," Scovell said.

"They don't have to ride on the football specials and risk life and limb just because they are loyal enough to wear their club colours.

"They can also take their families without the constant fear of becoming involved with drunken hooligans before and after the final whistle."

Scovell is right on the ball in his comments and we can only hope we don't have to endure the same problems as the code grows in Australia.

THE LIFE OF BRIAN

He's a headliner again

Brian Clough is a name well known throughout the world in soccer. He is the type of character you either love or loath.

The Nottingham Forest manager is always controversial and when it's all boiled down he keeps soccer where it belongs — in the headlines.

One can hardly begrudge the man success in the manager's chair because his playing career ended on a tragic note through injury.

In the season 1958-59 he was leading goalscorer in the first division playing centre-forward with Middlesbrough.

His career was tragically reduced to just four full seasons but in that time he hit home an amazing 160 goals — something that just isn't done this day and age.

His career started when a scout saw him playing with an amateur side called Great Broughton and he signed with Middlesbrough.

By 1960 — seven years later — he had become the most lethal finisher in the country but close attention by rugged defenders started to take its toll and he started a long run of injuries.

By the end of the 1962 season he had virtually been crippled but attempted a comeback two years later only to be forced in to retirement after just three games.

Since then many people have claimed Clough seeks success as a manager simply because he was so frustrated at having his playing career ended when he considered he was still at his peak.

He scored his first league goal on October 8, 1955, the first of many hat-tricks in November the following year and hit home five goals for his club against The Army before repeating that dose in a league match on the opening day of the 1958 season.

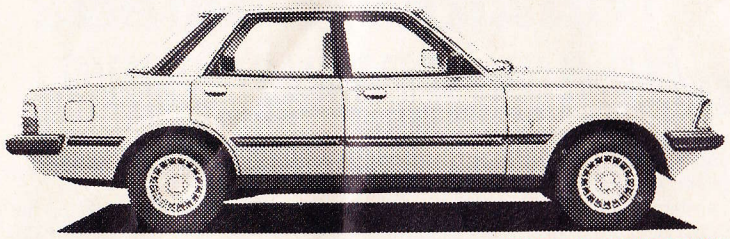
The man who made his own magic moments scored four times in a league match at Swansea — and celebrated his 24th birthday that same day.

He was described by former great soccer scribe Basil Easterbrook as a powerful four cylinder racing car operating on just three cylinders.

Easterbrook said at 25 Clough was very good but if that other cylinder had been firing he would have been sensational.

In 213 league games for Middlesbrough Clough scored 197 goals. He was playing with Sunderland when injury wrecked his career but had averaged a goal a game in 24 appearances before he finally hung up his boots.

He missed the whole of the 1963-64 season before making his belated comeback — suddenly as a player he had changed from headliner to has-been.



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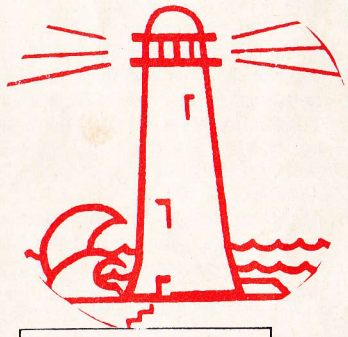

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Are two whistles better than one?

If English Football League referee Ken Salmon has his way linesmen could soon be a thing of the past and soccer will operate with a referee in each half of the field.

Writing in a recent issue of F.A. Today, Salmon says there are many advantages to having two referees control play, not the least being a saving by clubs in fees paid out for referees and linesmen.

He said he has thought a lot about his ideas but didn't get a chance to put them in to practice until he was called on to control a pre-season friendly between Arsenal and Luton Town.

Salmon trains regularly with Arsenal and Tottenham as the two clubs are near his home so he is often called on to handle friendly games.

"This particular game was at Arsenal's training headquarters against Luton and another referee also arrived to handle the game," Salmon said.

"The clubs never bother with linesmen in these games so we decided rather than one of us waste a trip we should control half the field each.

"Both managers accepted and seemed interested in how the system would work. Arsenal won 5-0 and there were no complaints about the referees."

Soon after the start of the season, Salmon was appointed to a London mid-week league match between Gillingham and Milwall and one of his linesmen failed to appear.

Quick to seize the opportunity he again asked if he could try his system and the clubs agreed.

Salmon explains that each referee is responsible for his half of the field, including making decisions on throw-ins and balls going out for goal-kicks.

Both officials have a whistle and may stop the game at any time if an incident occurs in his half of the playing area.

"I feel the great advantage of the system is that there is always a referee close to play and many behind-the-ball incidents can be spotted," Salmon said.

"It could be introduced in junior games to allow people to get used to the idea and if successful extended gradually to senior level.

"The idea is certain to bring out many arguments for and against but I honestly believe it would benefit the game in the long run."

From a spectator's point of view he would probably think it unfair to abuse a referee while there was another on the field — and it would certainly take a lot of getting used to.

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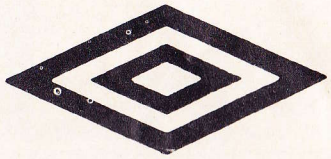

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BRISBANE LIONS	1-1	Away	MARCH 8	
BLACKTOWN CITY	1-1	Home	MARCH 15	
NEWCASTLE KB	1-1	Away	MARCH 29	
LEICHHARDT	1-1	Home	APRIL 5	
WEST ADELAIDE	2-1	Away	APRIL 12	
SOUTH MELBOURNE	0-1	Away	APRIL 19	
PRESTON MACEDONIA	2-2	Home	APRIL 26	
BRISBANE CITY		Home	MAY 10	
SYDNEY CITY		Away	MAY 17	
CANBERRA CITY		Home	MAY 24	
MARCONI		Away	MAY 31	
HEIDELBERG		Home	JUNE 7	
FOOTSCRAY		Away	JUNE 14	
BRISBANE LIONS		Home	JUNE 21	
BLACKTOWN CITY		Away	JUNE 28	
NEWCASTLE KB		Home	JULY 5	
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WEST ADELAIDE		Home	JULY 19	
SOUTH MELBOURNE		Home	JULY 26	
PRESTON MACEDONIA		Away	AUGUST 2	
ADELAIDE CITY		Home	AUGUST 9	
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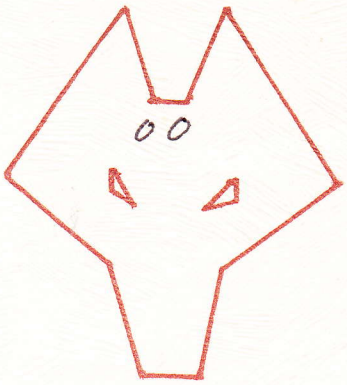

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